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GREAT SCOTT! BATMAN'S ABOUT TO PAINT IN BRUCE WAYNE'S FEATURES IN THAT SELF-PORTRAIT.'
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BATMAN'S SECRET HELPER

ALL THESE PEOPLE ASSISTED US IN THE PAST... BUT IT'S OUR UNKNOWN HELPER WHO'S IN DANGER!

LOCK SMITH

A GREAT NEW TELEVISION SHOW MAKES ITS BOW IN GOTHAM CITY...

AND NOW WE PRESENT THE WORLD-FAMOUS STAR OF OUR NEW SERIES... NONE OTHER THAN BATMAN!

THANK YOU, THIS PROGRAM IS NOT ABOUT ME--BUT ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE HELPED ME, IN PAST CASES! I'VE NEVER FORGOTTEN THEIR ASSISTANCE, AND I WANT THEM TO GET CREDIT NOW!

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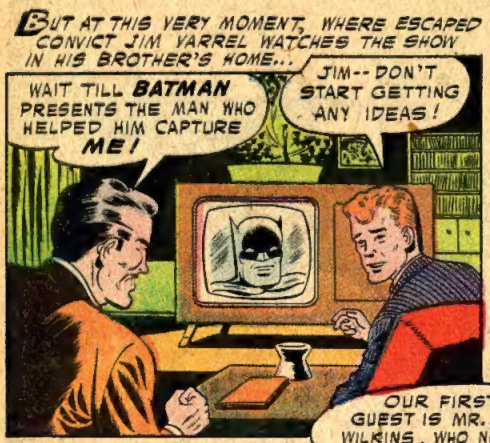
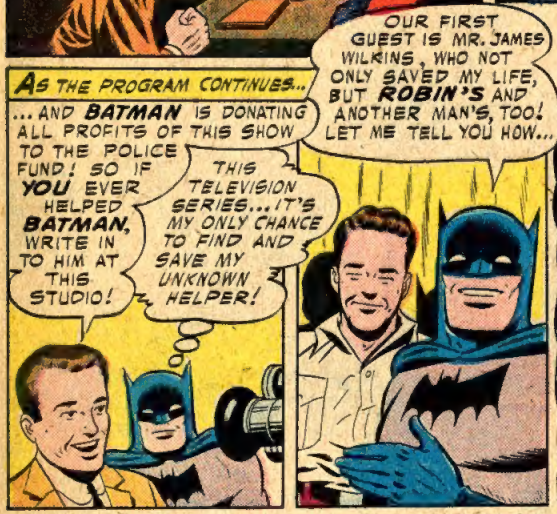
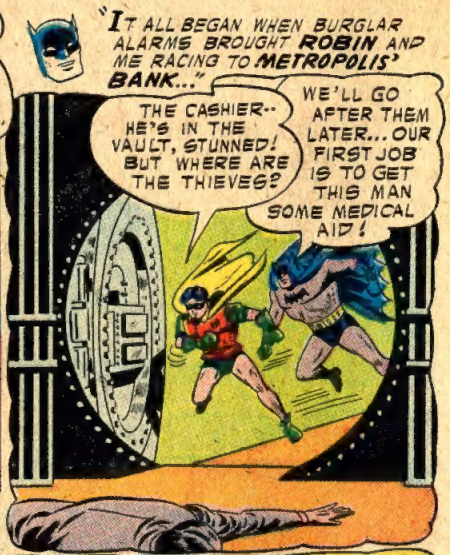
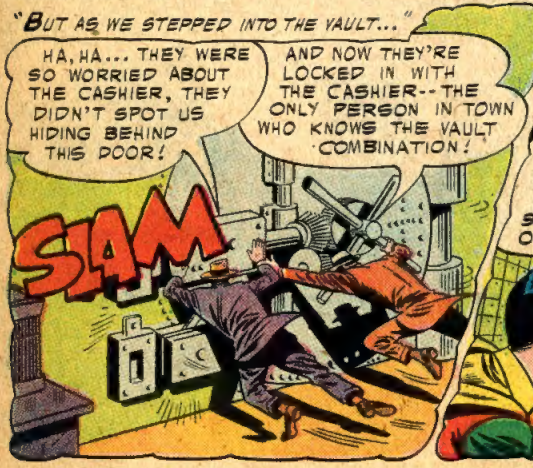
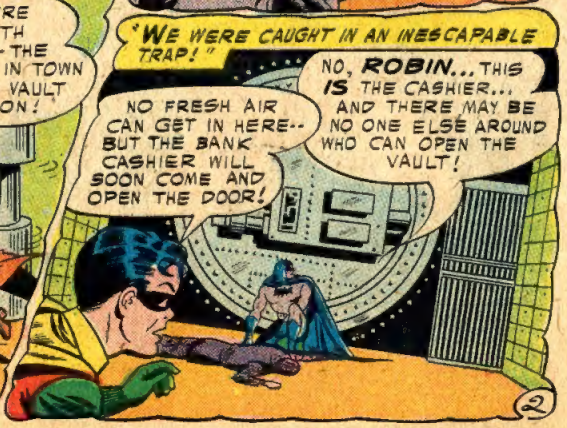

BUT AT THIS VERY MOMENT, WHERE ESCAPED CONVICT JIM VARREL WATCHES THE SHOW IN HIS BROTHER'S HOME...
WAIT TILL BATMAN PRESENTS THE MAN WHO HELPED HIM CAPTURE ME!
JIM-- DON'T START GETTING ANY IDEAS!

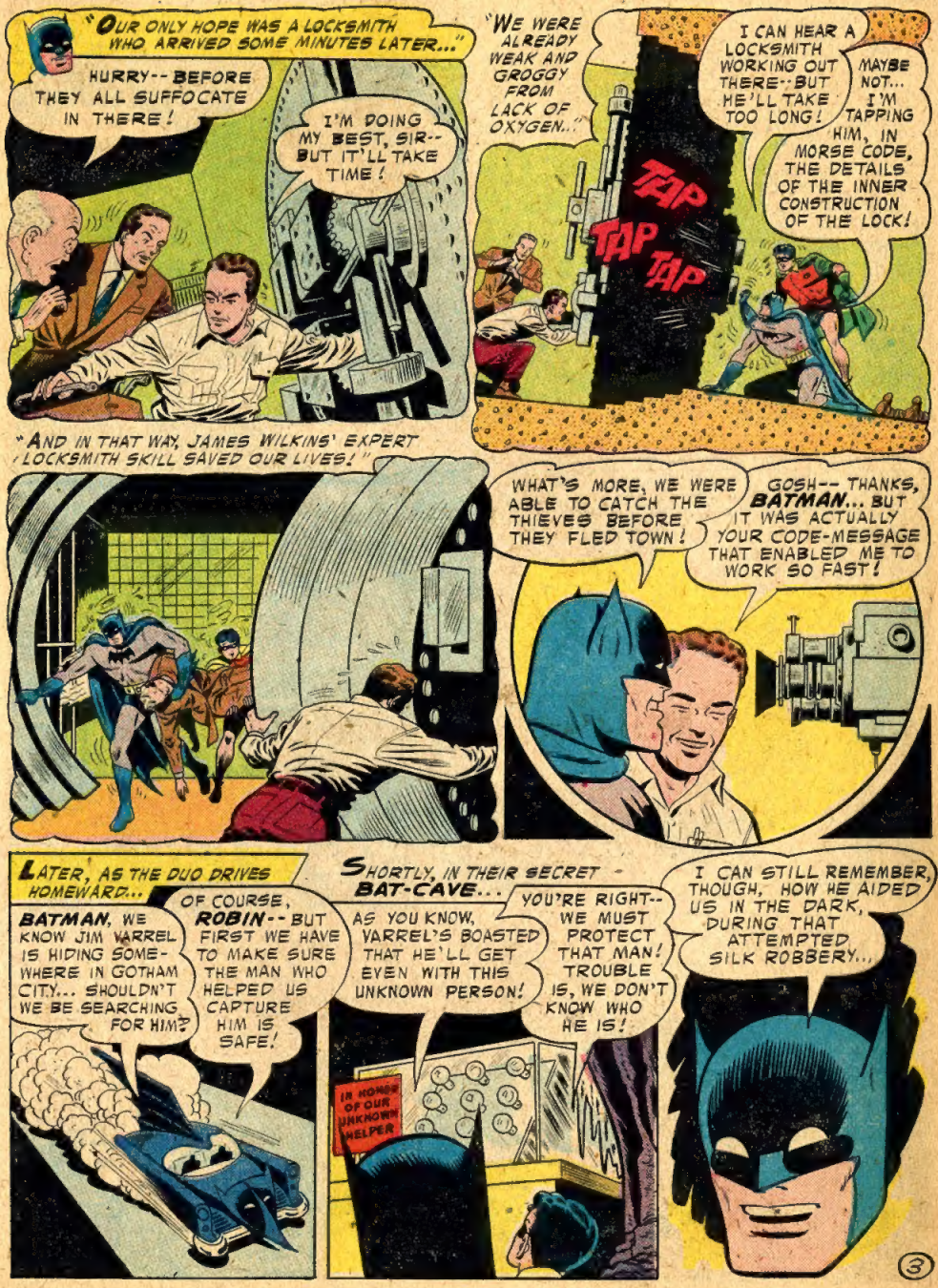
YOU MUST GIVE YOURSELF UP AND SERVE YOUR TIME! FORGET ABOUT REVENGE!
NOTHING DOING, FRED! IF IT WEREN'T FOR THAT MAN, I'D NEVER HAVE GONE TO PRISON IN THE FIRST PLACE! WHEN I FIND OUT WHO HE IS, HE'LL PAY FOR THAT!


AS THE PROGRAM CONTINUES...
...AND BATMAN IS DONATING ALL PROFITS OF THIS SHOW TO THE POLICE FUND! SO IF YOU EVER HELPED BATMAN, WRITE IN TO HIM AT THIS STUDIO!
THIS TELEVISION SERIES... IT'S MY ONLY CHANCE TO FIND AND SAVE MY UNKNOWN HELPER!
OUR FIRST GUEST IS MR. JAMES WILKINS, WHO NOT ONLY SAVED MY LIFE, BUT ROBIN'S AND ANOTHER MAN'S, TOO! LET ME TELL YOU HOW...

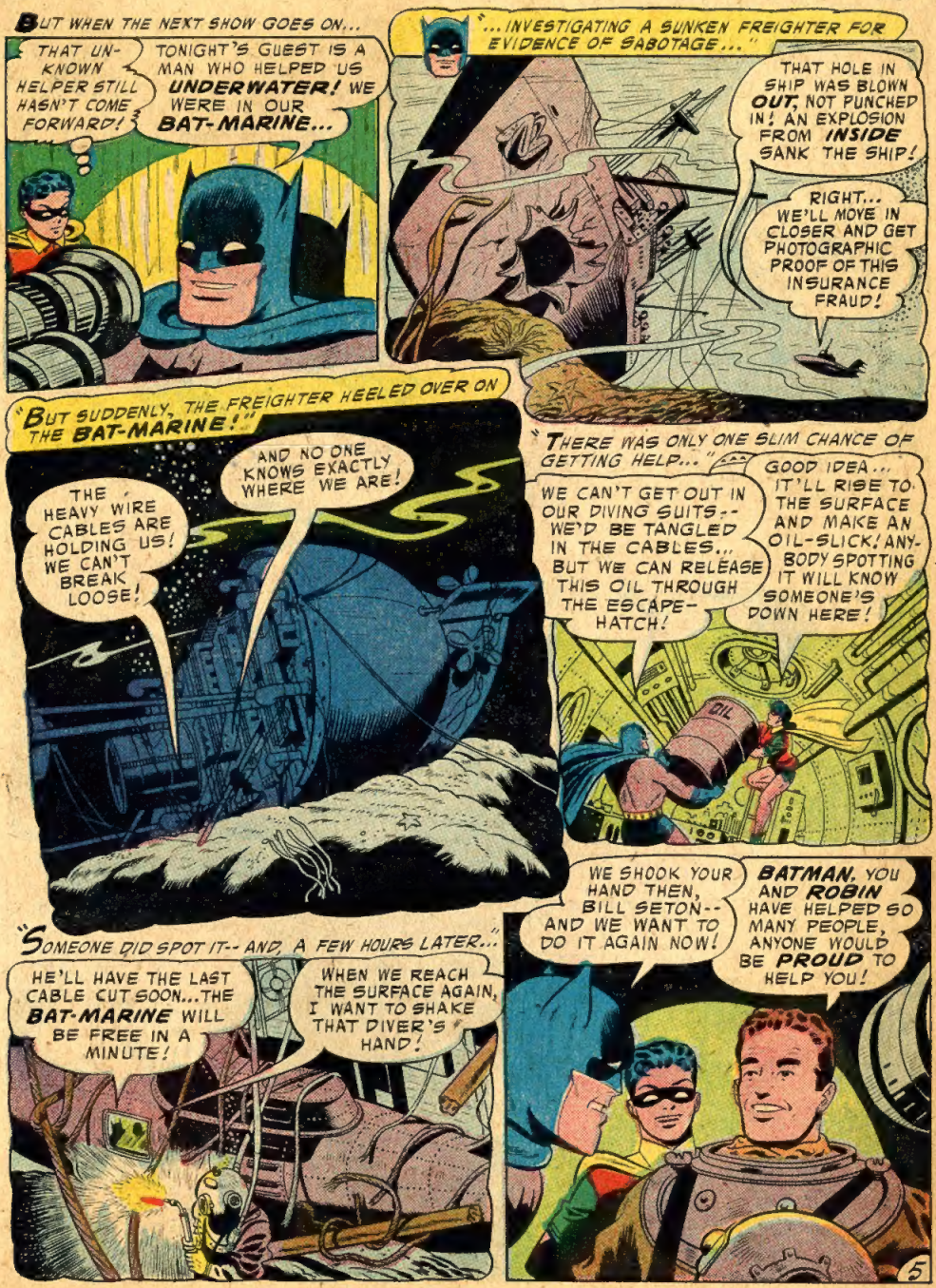

"IT ALL BEGAN WHEN BURGLAR ALARMS BROUGHT ROBIN AND ME RACING TO METROPOLIS' BANK..."
THE CASHIER-- HE'S IN THE VAULT, STUNNED! BUT WHERE ARE THE THIEVES?
WE'LL GO AFTER THEM LATER... OUR FIRST JOB IS TO GET THIS MAN SOME MEDICAL AID!

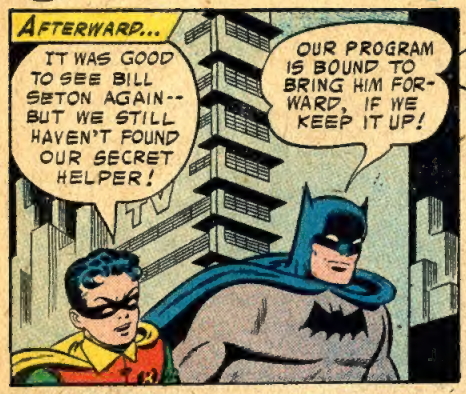

"BUT AS WE STEPPED INTO THE VAULT..."
HA, HA... THEY WERE SO WORRIED ABOUT THE CASHIER, THEY DIDN'T SPOT US HIDING BEHIND THIS DOOR!
AND NOW THEY'RE LOCKED IN WITH THE CASHIER-- THE ONLY PERSON IN TOWN WHO KNOWS THE VAULT COMBINATION!
SLAM


"WE WERE CAUGHT IN AN INESCAPABLE TRAP!"
NO FRESH AIR CAN GET IN HERE-- BUT THE BANK CASHIER WILL SOON COME AND OPEN THE DOOR!
NO, ROBIN... THIS IS THE CASHIER... AND THERE MAY BE NO ONE ELSE AROUND WHO CAN OPEN THE VAULT!


"OUR ONLY HOPE WAS A LOCKSMITH WHO ARRIVED SOME MINUTES LATER..."
HURRY-- BEFORE THEY ALL SUFFOCATE IN THERE!
I'M DOING MY BEST, SIR-- BUT IT'LL TAKE TIME!
"WE WERE ALREADY WEAK AND GROGGY FROM LACK OF OXYGEN..."
I CAN HEAR A LOCKSMITH WORKING OUT THERE--BUT HE'LL TAKE TOO LONG!
MAYBE NOT... I'M TAPPING HIM, IN MORSE CODE, THE DETAILS OF THE INNER CONSTRUCTION OF THE LOCK!
TAP
TAP
TAP
"AND IN THAT WAY, JAMES WILKINS' EXPERT LOCKSMITH SKILL SAVED OUR LIVES!"
WHAT'S MORE, WE WERE ABLE TO CATCH THE THIEVES BEFORE THEY FLED TOWN!
GOSH-- THANKS, BATMAN... BUT IT WAS ACTUALLY YOUR CODE-MESSAGE THAT ENABLED ME TO WORK SO FAST!
LATER, AS THE DUO DRIVES HOMEWARD...
BATMAN, WE KNOW JIM VARREL IS HIDING SOMEWHERE IN GOTHAM CITY... SHOULDN'T WE BE SEARCHING FOR HIM?
OF COURSE, ROBIN-- BUT FIRST WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THE MAN WHO HELPED US CAPTURE HIM IS SAFE!
SHORTLY, IN THEIR SECRET BAT-CAVE...
AS YOU KNOW, VARREL'S BOASTED THAT HE'LL GET EVEN WITH THIS UNKNOWN PERSON!
YOU'RE RIGHT-- WE MUST PROTECT THAT MAN! TROUBLE IS, WE DON'T KNOW WHO HE IS!
IN HONOR OF OUR UNKNOWN HELPER
I CAN STILL REMEMBER, THOUGH, HOW HE AIDED US IN THE DARK, DURING THAT ATTEMPTED SILK ROBBERY...

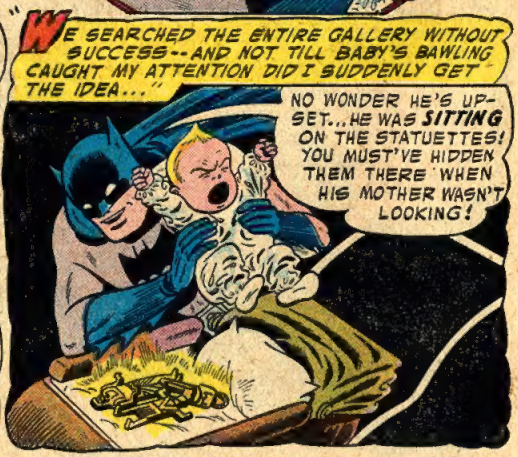
"VARREL HAD PLANNED A DARING THEFT..."
WE AIN'T TACKLING THAT SILK WAREHOUSE WITH YOU... BATMAN'S SURE TO SPOT YOUR BOAT WHEN HE COMES BY ON HIS NIGHTLY PATROL!
LET HIM... I'VE GOT A TRAP ALL SET FOR HIM! SINCE MY BROTHER WON'T TURN CROOKED, AND YOU'RE TOO SCARED, I'LL DO THE JOB ALONE!
"THAT NIGHT, WE DID SPOT VARREL'S POWER-BOAT..."
SILK WAREHOUSE
THAT WAREHOUSE DOOR IS OPEN A CRACK... COME ON!
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT-- SOME THIEF IS LOOTING THAT SILK WAREHOUSE!
"BUT AS WE BURST THROUGH THE DOOR..."
WHAT--? A FLASHBULB BOOBY-TRAP! I'M BLINDED!
SO AM I!
YES--JUST LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO STOP YOUR INTERFERING...
"BUT SUDDENLY, WE HEARD A SWITCH CLICK..."
I TURNED OFF THE LIGHTS... HE CAN'T SEE NOW EITHER, BATMAN!
THANKS, WHOEVER YOU ARE... THAT GIVES US AN EVEN CHANCE!
"AND THAT WAS THE BREAK WE NEEDED TO CAPTURE VARREL AND TURN THE LIGHTS BACK ON..."
OUR EYES HAVE RECOVERED NOW-- BUT WHERE'S THE MAN WHO SAVED US?
HE'S GONE-- SLIPPED AWAY IN THE DARK!
WHOEVER HE WAS, I'LL GET HIM SOME DAY... AND YOU, TOO, BATMAN!
SILK
I NEVER TRIED TO LEARN WHO OUR UNKNOWN HELPER WAS-- UNTIL VARREL BROKE PRISON! NOW, WE MUST LEARN HIS IDENTITY-- TO PROTECT HIM!
LET'S HOPE THIS TELE-VISION SERIES ABOUT PEOPLE WHO HELPED US, GETS HIM TO REVEAL HIMSELF!


BUT WHEN THE NEXT SHOW GOES ON...
THAT UNKNOWN HELPER STILL HASN'T COME FORWARD!
TONIGHT'S GUEST IS A MAN WHO HELPED US UNDERWATER! WE WERE IN OUR BAT-MARINE...
"...INVESTIGATING A SUNKEN FREIGHTER FOR EVIDENCE OF SABOTAGE..."
THAT HOLE IN SHIP WAS BLOWN OUT, NOT PUNCHED IN! AN EXPLOSION FROM INSIDE SANK THE SHIP!
RIGHT... WE'LL MOVE IN CLOSER AND GET PHOTOGRAPHIC PROOF OF THIS INSURANCE FRAUD!
"BUT SUDDENLY, THE FREIGHTER HEELED OVER ON THE BAT-MARINE!"
THE HEAVY WIRE CABLES ARE HOLDING US! WE CAN'T BREAK LOOSE!
AND NO ONE KNOWS EXACTLY WHERE WE ARE!
"THERE WAS ONLY ONE SLIM CHANCE OF GETTING HELP..."
WE CAN'T GET OUT IN OUR DIVING SUITS-- WE'D BE TANGLED IN THE CABLES... BUT WE CAN RELEASE THIS OIL THROUGH THE ESCAPE-HATCH!
GOOD IDEA... IT'LL RISE TO THE SURFACE AND MAKE AN OIL-SLICK! ANYBODY SPOTTING IT WILL KNOW SOMEONE'S DOWN HERE!
OIL
"SOMEONE DID SPOT IT-- AND, A FEW HOURS LATER..."
HE'LL HAVE THE LAST CABLE CUT SOON...THE BAT-MARINE WILL BE FREE IN A MINUTE!
WHEN WE REACH THE SURFACE AGAIN, I WANT TO SHAKE THAT DIVER'S HAND!
WE SHOOK YOUR HAND THEN, BILL SETON-- AND WE WANT TO DO IT AGAIN NOW!
BATMAN, YOU AND ROBIN HAVE HELPED SO MANY PEOPLE, ANYONE WOULD BE PROUD TO HELP YOU!

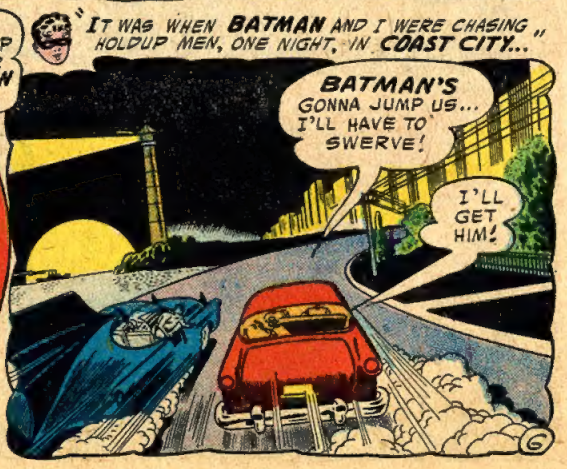

AFTERWARD...
IT WAS GOOD TO SEE BILL SETON AGAIN--BUT WE STILL HAVEN'T FOUND OUR SECRET HELPER!
OUR PROGRAM IS BOUND TO BRING HIM FORWARD, IF WE KEEP IT UP!

BUT THE STAR OF THE NEXT SHOW TURNS OUT TO BE..
...A BABY! YES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS LITTLE TOT HELPED US MIGHTILY.. WHEN WE'D GRABBED A SUSPECTED THIEF IN AN ART GALLERY!

"WE WERE SURE HE WAS OUR MAN--BUT WE HAD TO FIND PROOF..."
WE KNOW YOU STOLE THESE GOLD STATUETTES! WHERE DID YOU HIDE THEM WHEN YOU SAW US COMING?
YOU DIDN'T FIND THEM ON ME, DID YOU? YOU CAN'T HOLD ME!
WAH!


"WE SEARCHED THE ENTIRE GALLERY WITHOUT SUCCESS--AND NOT TILL BABY'S BAWLING CAUGHT MY ATTENTION DID I SUDDENLY GET THE IDEA..."
NO WONDER HE'S UPSET...HE WAS SITTING ON THE STATUETTES! YOU MUST'VE HIDDEN THEM THERE WHEN HIS MOTHER WASN'T LOOKING!

...AND THAT'S HOW OUR INFANT HELPER'S--ER--VOICE AIDED US!
NOW, THE MOST DRAMATIC HELP BATMAN EVER RECEIVED! ROBIN CAN TELL THIS TALE...


"IT WAS WHEN BATMAN AND I WERE CHASING HOLDUP MEN, ONE NIGHT, IN COAST CITY...
BATMAN'S GONNA JUMP US... I'LL HAVE TO SWERVE!
I'LL GET HIM!

"A SHOT RANG OUT, AND **BATMAN** SLUMPED -- BUT FOR THE CROOKS, IT WAS TOO LATE..."

THEY WERE KNOCKED COLD, RUNNING INTO THAT POWER-POLE WHEN THEY SWERVED... BUT **BATMAN** IS **SHOT!** MUST GET HIM TO THAT HOSPITAL UP THE STREET!

CRASH

SCREEEEEEE

"WHILE POLICE WERE PICKING UP THE STUNNED CROOKS, A NEW PROBLEM AROSE AT THE HOSPITAL..."

THE BULLET'S NEAR HIS HEART AND MUST BE REMOVED... BUT WE'RE WITHOUT **LIGHT** SINCE THAT POWER-POLE WAS KNOCKED OVER! YET, IF WE COULD HAVE THAT HARBOR-LIGHTHOUSE SHINE ITS BEAM HERE...

THAT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE... I'LL CONTACT THEM AT ONCE!

COAST CITY HOSPITAL

"IN THE EMERGENCY, THE COAST GUARD AND LIGHT-HOUSE KEEPERS COOPERATED SO THAT, MINUTES LATER..."

THE COAST GUARD WILL WARN SHIPPING TILL THE LIGHT GETS BACK TO ITS USUAL POSITION!

"THUS, DR. WALTER THORNE WAS ABLE TO PERFORM AN OPERATION THAT SAVED **BATMAN'S** LIFE..."

I'VE GOT THE BULLET-- HE'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT!

GOSH, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO THANK YOU, DOCTOR!

BUT **I** CAN THANK YOU, AGAIN, DR. THORNE, FOR WHAT YOU DID!

TO HAVE HELPED **BATMAN** CONTINUE HIS CAREER IS AN HONOR!

AND THAT COMPLETES TONIGHT'S SHOW! TOMORROW, WE'LL PRESENT AN EQUALLY DRAMATIC STORY... THAT OF THE MAN WHO HELPED US CAPTURE **JIM VARREL!**

LATER...

HOW COULD YOU MAKE THAT PROMISE, **BATMAN?** WE DON'T KNOW YET WHO OUR SECRET HELPER WAS!

BUT IF VARREL **THINKS** HE'S GOING TO BE HERE, HE'LL SHOW UP, TOO--FOR VENGEANCE!

NEXT EVENING...
WELL, BATMAN? HOW ARE YOU GOING TO PRESENT OUR SECRET HELPER WHEN HE ISN'T HERE?
BUT HE IS HERE, ROBIN... I'M SURE OF IT NOW! AND VARREL WILL SHOW UP, TOO!
THE PROGRAM BEGINS WITH A STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT...
BECAUSE OUR UNKNOWN HELPER WANTS TO REMAIN UNIDENTIFIED, WE'RE USING A SECRECY BOOTH TONIGHT! NOW I'LL TELL HOW HE SAVED US FROM VARREL'S TRAP...
BUT, JUST THEN...
HERE IT IS, BATMAN!... VARREL, DRESSED AS AN USHER!
GOOD WORK, ROBIN!
HUH--?
AND THEN COMES THE BIGGEST SURPRISE OF ALL...
THAT WAS A DUMMY IN THE BOOTH, VARREL-- BAIT TO DRAW YOU HERE! OUR SECRET HELPER REMAINS SECRET!
NOT ANY LONGER... IT WAS I WHO HELPED YOU THAT NIGHT, BATMAN!
FRED-- MY BROTHER... YOU?
YES... I FOLLOWED YOU THAT NIGHT TO SAVE BATMAN-- AND TO SAVE YOU FROM A WORSE CRIME! I'M HERE TONIGHT FOR THE SAME REASON!
MAYBE... MAYBE YOU'VE BEEN RIGHT ALL ALONG, FRED! I--I GUESS I'LL PAY MY DEBT IN PRISON, AND THEN TRY TO START A NEW LIFE!
IT'S WHAT I'VE ALWAYS HOPED, JIM... THAT'S WHY I KEPT YOU FROM COMMITTING MURDER!
AND SO, AS POLICE LEAD THE REFORMED MAN AWAY...
YOU SEE, WHEN I NOTICED FRED IN THE AUDIENCE, I FIGURED HE WAS OUR HELPER-- SINCE ONLY HE AND CROOKS WOULD KNOW VARREL'S PLANS, AND CROOKS WOULDN'T INTERVENE TO SAVE ME!
GOOD FIGURING, BATMAN... IT ACTUALLY HELPED YOU SAVE TWO MEN TONIGHT!
THE END.

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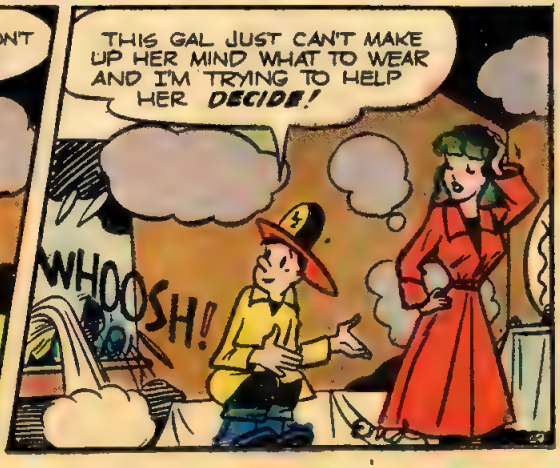
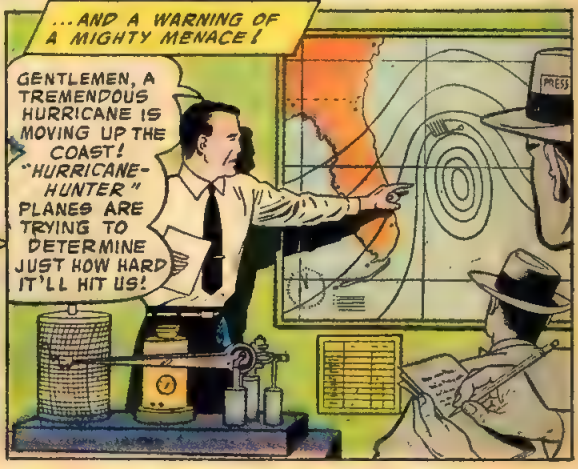


THE GREAT TEAM OF **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** HAS MORE THAN ONCE SEARCHED OUT SECRET, SINISTER PLOTTERS IN GOTHAM CITY... BUT NEVER HAS ITS SEARCH BEEN SO SUSPENSEFUL AS NOW, WHEN A MIGHTY HURRICANE SWEEPS THE METROPOLIS! FOR THE DYNAMIC DUO NOW MUST BATTLE LAW-BREAKERS WHO USE, AS THEIR ALLY, THE AWESOME, DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF THE...

STORM OVER GOTHAM CITY!

TO GOTHAM CITY, FROM FAR AWAY, FLASHES AN URGENT MESSAGE...


...AND A WARNING OF A MIGHTY MENACE!
GENTLEMEN, A TREMENDOUS HURRICANE IS MOVING UP THE COAST! "HURRICANE-HUNTER" PLANES ARE TRYING TO DETERMINE JUST HOW HARD IT'LL HIT US!
PRESS

BUT WHEN ARMY PLANES ATTEMPT TO PINPOINT THE MOVEMENTS OF THE MIGHTY TEMPEST...

THIS HURRICANE IS SO POWERFUL, OUR PLANES CAN'T PENETRATE ITS WINDS! WE'RE UNABLE TO CHART ITS COURSE!

IN GOTHAM CITY, A WORRIED WEATHER BUREAU CALLS IN POLICE COMMISSIONER GORDON...

WHAT WE'VE HEARD, COMMISSIONER, THE **BAT-PLANE** MIGHT BE ABLE TO APPROACH AND CHART THAT STORM WHERE ORDINARY PLANES CAN'T!

...AND FROM

I'LL ALERT **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** AT ONCE, BY FLASH-BULLETIN AS WELL AS THE **BAT-SIGNAL!**

AND SOON, THE SUPER-POWERED **BAT-PLANE** GOES OUT TO CHALLENGE THE GREATEST FORCE IN NATURE...

WE'RE FOLLOWING THE HURRICANE-EYE... GET YOUR READINGS OF SPEED AND DIRECTION, **ROBIN!**

CHECK, **BATMAN!**

WITHIN MINUTES, WEALTHY BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON, GET A DOUBLE ALERT...

...SO **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** ARE URGENTLY ASKED TO TRY TO CHART THE HURRICANE'S PATH IN **THEIR** PLANE!

HEAR THAT DICK? WE'D BETTER SWITCH TO OUR COSTUMES AND GET GOING!

THE NEWS THEY BRING BACK TRIGGERS A GREAT ALARM SYSTEM...

ALL POINTS WARNING...THE HURRICANE WILL HIT GOTHAM CITY! REPEAT, THE HURRICANE WILL HIT GOTHAM CITY!

A CITY CAN SUCCESSFULLY ENDURE A HURRICANE, BY MAKING READY FOR IT! WE'D BETTER GO HELP PEOPLE PREPARE...

COURSE NORTH-NORTHWESTWARD, WIND-SPEEDS 102 MILES AN HOUR, WHOLE HURRICANE MOVING 30 MILES AN HOUR... GOT IT!

AND JUST IN TIME! MUCH LONGER IN THIS STORM, AND WE'D LOSE OUR WINGS! NOW, BACK TO GOTHAM CITY!

BUT AS THE PAIR STARTS OUT...

LISTEN, BUDDY... I GOTTA KNOW JUST **WHEN** THE PEAK OF THE STORM WILL HIT GOTHAM CITY!

ROBIN, THAT'S KEENE HARNER, AN EX-MOBSTER WITH A LONG RECORD! WHY IS **HE** SO INTERESTED IN THE STORM?

THEIR SUSPICIONS AROUSED, THE CAPED LAWMEN TRAIL THEIR SUSPECT IN THE **BATMOBILE**...

PEOPLE ARE HEEDING THE STORM-WARNING AND GETTING READY!

AND HARNER'S GOING INTO THAT APARTMENT BUILDING! MAYBE WE CAN FIND OUT WHAT HE'S UP TO...

DRUGS

DRUGS

LOCATING THE MOBSTER'S APARTMENT, **BATMAN** APPROACHES FROM ABOVE...

I TELL YOU, THIS COMING STORM IS A CHANCE FOR BIG LOOT! WE'LL ALL POSE AS DISASTER-FIGHTERS LIKE WE PLANNED, AND...

SUDDENLY...

WHOOSH

HEAR THAT?...THE HURRICANE'S STARTING TO HIT THE CITY!

AND IT'S ABOUT TO BLOW DOWN THAT BIG SIGN ON THE PEDESTRIANS BELOW! GOT TO STOP THAT, EVEN IF IT MEANS SHOWING MYSELF!

IN THE NICK OF TIME, THE RESOURCEFUL CRIME-FIGHTER SWINGS DOWN IN A FLASHING ARC...

LOWER ME TO THE GROUND WITH THIS SIGN, **ROBIN**-- AND HURRY!

DRUGS

BATMAN! I SAW HIM SWING PAST OUR WINDOW! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE--FAST!

AND AS THE FULL FURY OF THE HURRICANE STRIKES GOTHAM CITY...

THEY GOT AWAY IN THEIR CAR, BUT WE'VE GOT TO FOLLOW! THEY'RE PLANNING TO USE THIS STORM TO COMMIT THEFTS!

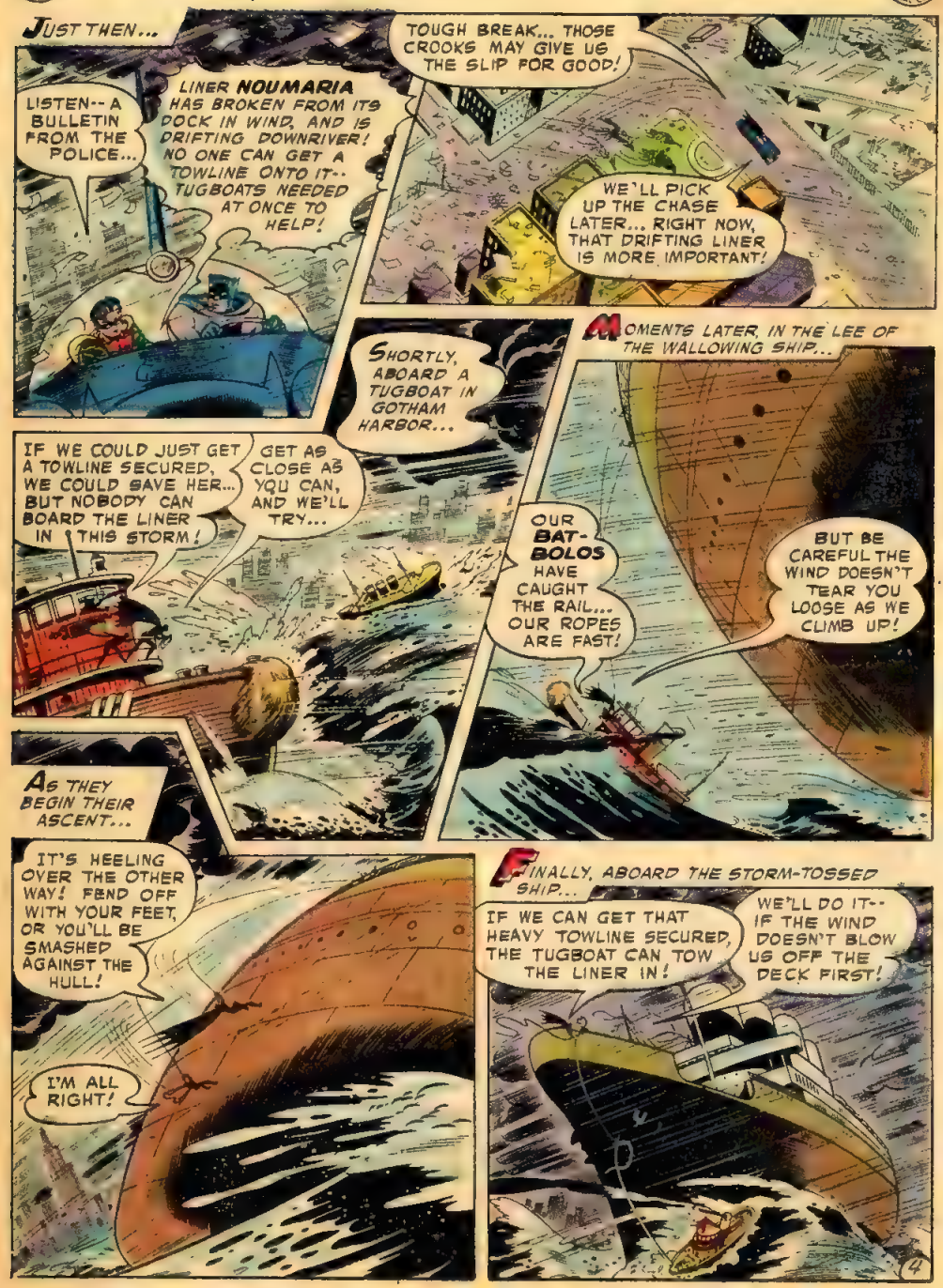
WHAT A WIND! IT'S ALL I CAN DO TO KEEP MY FEET!

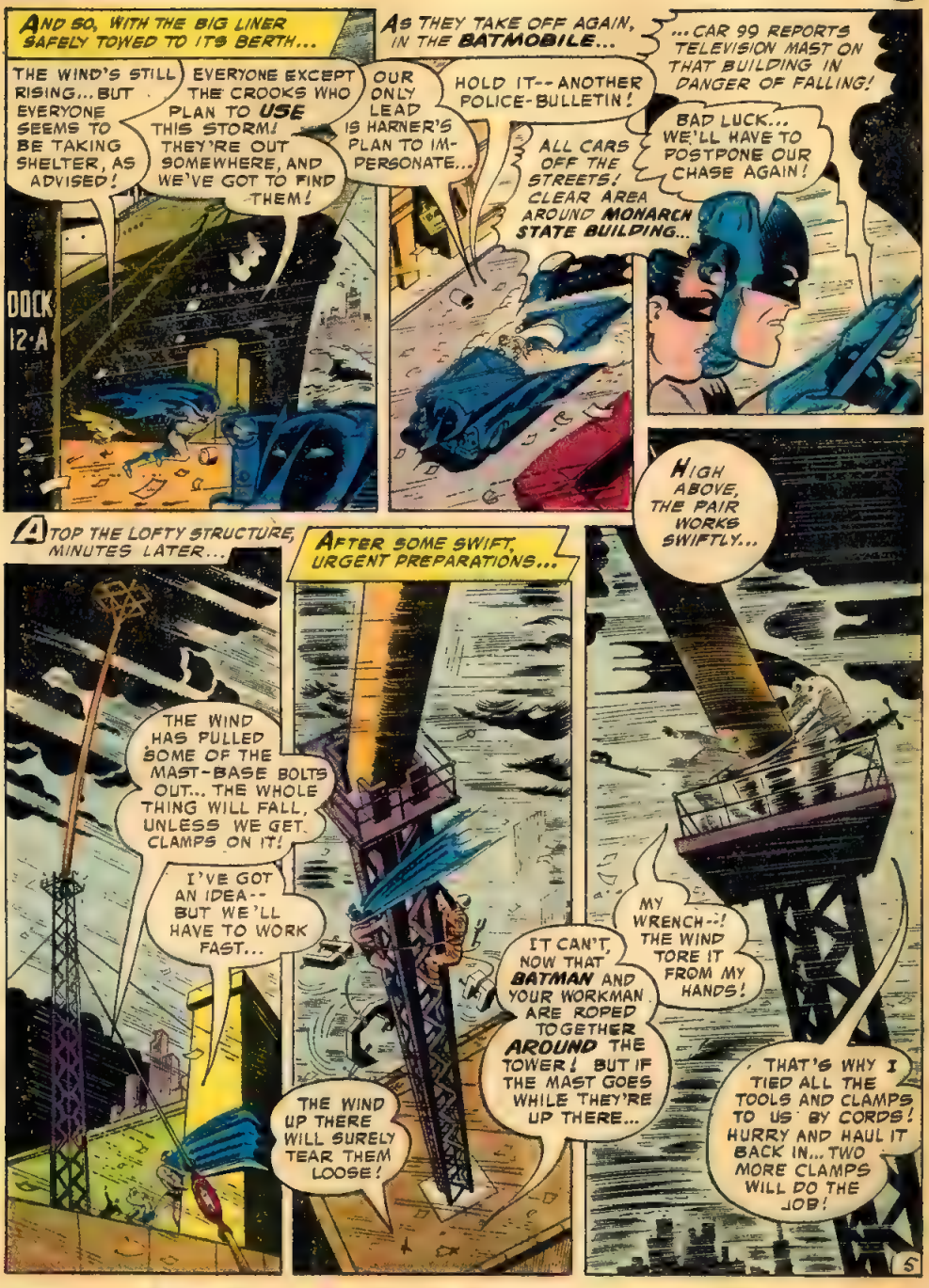
BANK

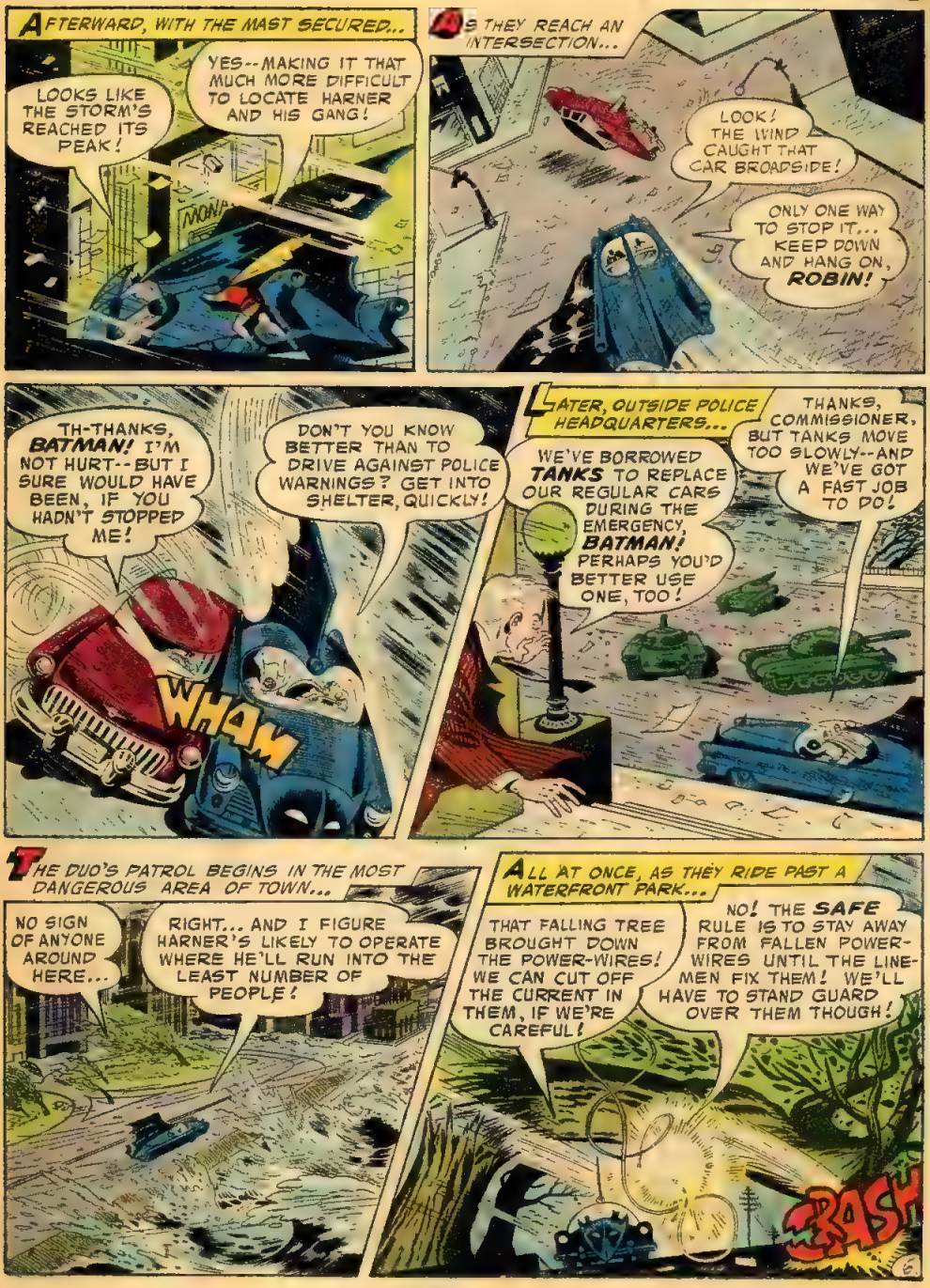
AMID THE ROAR OF THE GALE, THE **BATMOBILE** THUNDERS OFF IN PURSUIT...

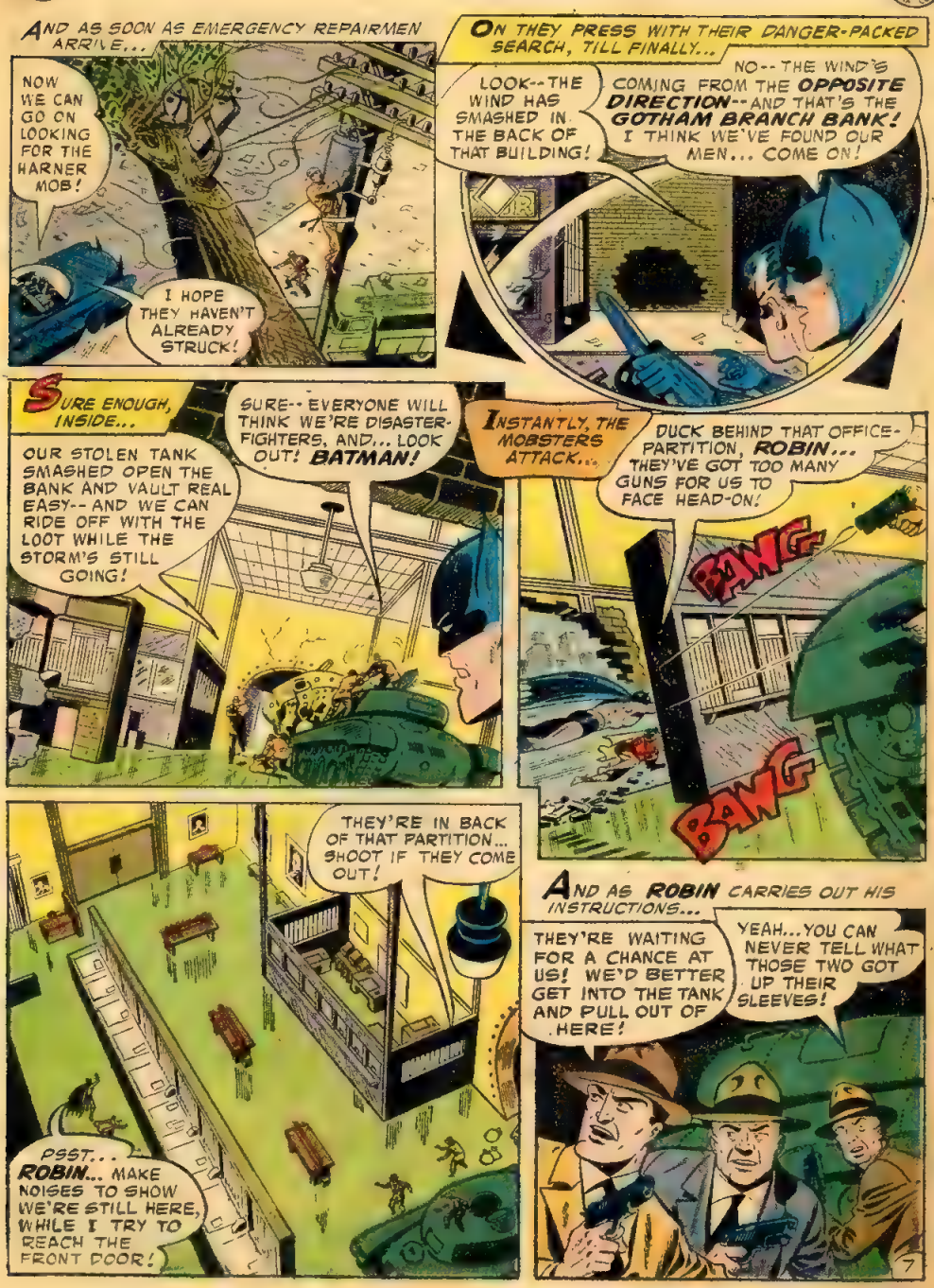
THEY WENT PAST THE PARK HEADING WEST!

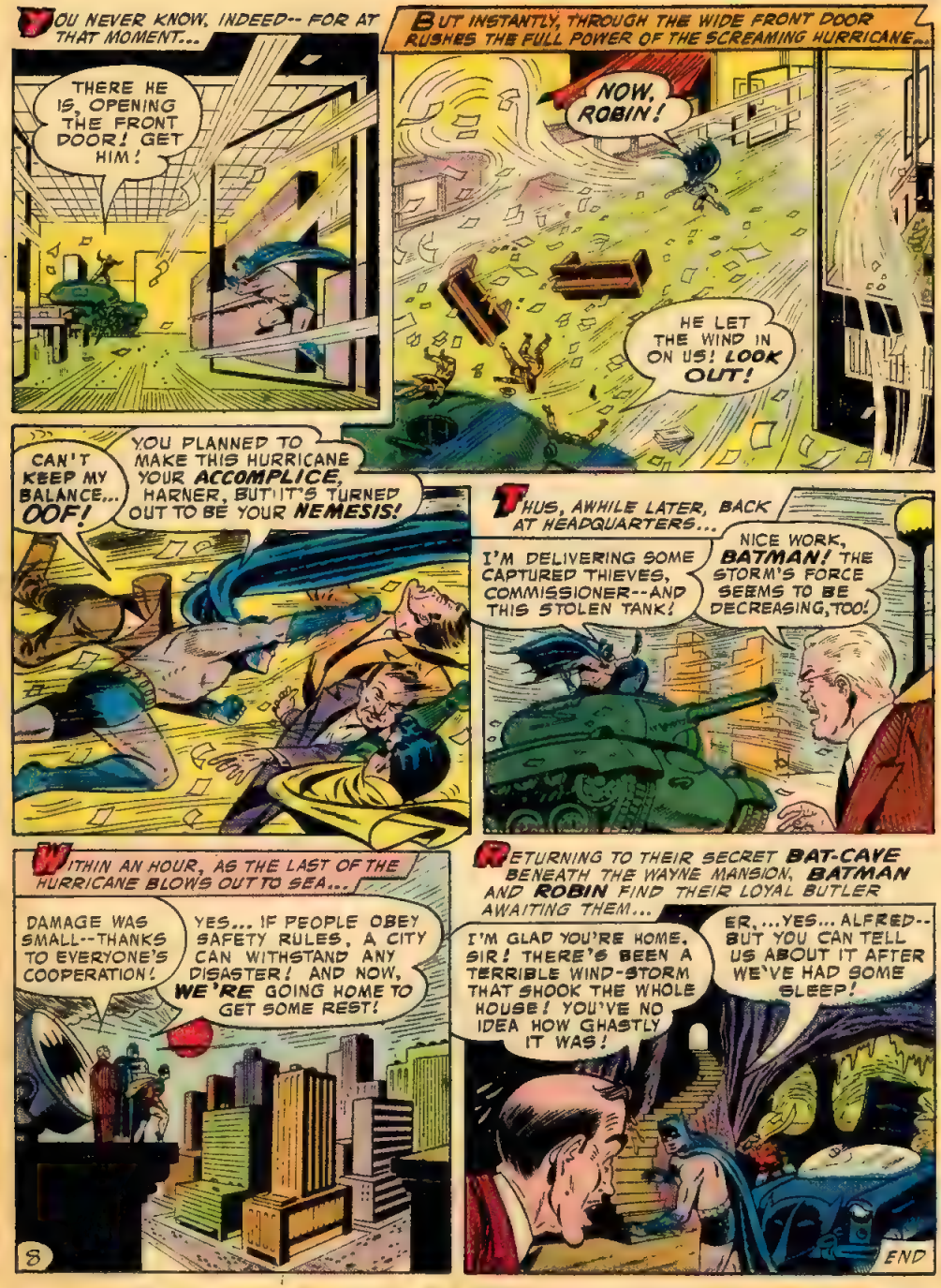
LUCKILY, PEOPLE SEEM TO BE OBEYING SAFETY-RULES AND STAYING INDOORS! ONLY PROPER PRECAUTIONS CAN BEAT A STORM LIKE THIS!


JUST THEN...
LISTEN-- A BULLETIN FROM THE POLICE...
LINER NOUMARIA HAS BROKEN FROM ITS DOCK IN WIND, AND IS DRIFTING DOWNRIVER! NO ONE CAN GET A TOWLINE ONTO IT-- TUGBOATS NEEDED AT ONCE TO HELP!
TOUGH BREAK... THOSE CROOKS MAY GIVE US THE SLIP FOR GOOD!
WE'LL PICK UP THE CHASE LATER... RIGHT NOW, THAT DRIFTING LINER IS MORE IMPORTANT!
SHORTLY, ABOARD A TUGBOAT IN GOTHAM HARBOR...
IF WE COULD JUST GET A TOWLINE SECURED, WE COULD SAVE HER... BUT NOBODY CAN BOARD THE LINER IN THIS STORM!
GET AS CLOSE AS YOU CAN, AND WE'LL TRY...
MOMENTS LATER, IN THE LEE OF THE WALLOWING SHIP...
OUR BAT-BOLOS HAVE CAUGHT THE RAIL... OUR ROPES ARE FAST!
BUT BE CAREFUL THE WIND DOESN'T TEAR YOU LOOSE AS WE CLIMB UP!
AS THEY BEGIN THEIR ASCENT...
IT'S HEELING OVER THE OTHER WAY! FEND OFF WITH YOUR FEET, OR YOU'LL BE SMASHED AGAINST THE HULL!
I'M ALL RIGHT!
FINALLY, ABOARD THE STORM-TOSSED SHIP...
IF WE CAN GET THAT HEAVY TOWLINE SECURED, THE TUGBOAT CAN TOW THE LINER IN!
WE'LL DO IT-- IF THE WIND DOESN'T BLOW US OFF THE DECK FIRST!


AND SO, WITH THE BIG LINER SAFELY TOWED TO ITS BERTH...
THE WIND'S STILL RISING... BUT EVERYONE SEEMS TO BE TAKING SHELTER, AS ADVISED!
EVERYONE EXCEPT THE CROOKS WHO PLAN TO USE THIS STORM! THEY'RE OUT SOMEWHERE, AND WE'VE GOT TO FIND THEM!
OUR ONLY LEAD IS HARNER'S PLAN TO IMPERSONATE...
DOCK 12-A
AS THEY TAKE OFF AGAIN, IN THE BATMOBILE...
HOLD IT--ANOTHER POLICE-BULLETIN!
ALL CARS OFF THE STREETS! CLEAR AREA AROUND MONARCH STATE BUILDING...
...CAR 99 REPORTS TELEVISION MAST ON THAT BUILDING IN DANGER OF FALLING!
BAD LUCK... WE'LL HAVE TO POSTPONE OUR CHASE AGAIN!
ATOP THE LOFTY STRUCTURE, MINUTES LATER...
THE WIND HAS PULLED SOME OF THE MAST-BASE BOLTS OUT... THE WHOLE THING WILL FALL, UNLESS WE GET CLAMPS ON IT!
I'VE GOT AN IDEA-- BUT WE'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST...
THE WIND UP THERE WILL SURELY TEAR THEM LOOSE!
AFTER SOME SWIFT, URGENT PREPARATIONS...
IT CAN'T, NOW THAT BATMAN AND YOUR WORKMAN ARE ROPED TOGETHER AROUND THE TOWER! BUT IF THE MAST GOES WHILE THEY'RE UP THERE...
HIGH ABOVE, THE PAIR WORKS SWIFTLY...
MY WRENCH--! THE WIND TORE IT FROM MY HANDS!
THAT'S WHY I TIED ALL THE TOOLS AND CLAMPS TO US BY CORDS! HURRY AND HAUL IT BACK IN... TWO MORE CLAMPS WILL DO THE JOB!


AFTERWARD, WITH THE MAST SECURED...
LOOKS LIKE THE STORM'S REACHED ITS PEAK!
YES--MAKING IT THAT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO LOCATE HARNER AND HIS GANG!
AS THEY REACH AN INTERSECTION...
LOOK! THE WIND CAUGHT THAT CAR BROADSIDE!
ONLY ONE WAY TO STOP IT... KEEP DOWN AND HANG ON, ROBIN!
TH-THANKS, BATMAN! I'M NOT HURT--BUT I SURE WOULD HAVE BEEN, IF YOU HADN'T STOPPED ME!
DON'T YOU KNOW BETTER THAN TO DRIVE AGAINST POLICE WARNINGS? GET INTO SHELTER, QUICKLY!
WHAM
LATER, OUTSIDE POLICE HEADQUARTERS...
WE'VE BORROWED TANKS TO REPLACE OUR REGULAR CARS DURING THE EMERGENCY, BATMAN! PERHAPS YOU'D BETTER USE ONE, TOO!
THANKS, COMMISSIONER, BUT TANKS MOVE TOO SLOWLY--AND WE'VE GOT A FAST JOB TO DO!
THE DUO'S PATROL BEGINS IN THE MOST DANGEROUS AREA OF TOWN...
NO SIGN OF ANYONE AROUND HERE...
RIGHT... AND I FIGURE HARNER'S LIKELY TO OPERATE WHERE HE'LL RUN INTO THE LEAST NUMBER OF PEOPLE!
ALL AT ONCE, AS THEY RIDE PAST A WATERFRONT PARK...
THAT FALLING TREE BROUGHT DOWN THE POWER-WIRES! WE CAN CUT OFF THE CURRENT IN THEM, IF WE'RE CAREFUL!
NO! THE SAFE RULE IS TO STAY AWAY FROM FALLEN POWER-WIRES UNTIL THE LINE-MEN FIX THEM! WE'LL HAVE TO STAND GUARD OVER THEM THOUGH!
CRASH


AND AS SOON AS EMERGENCY REPAIRMEN ARRIVE...
NOW WE CAN GO ON LOOKING FOR THE HARNER MOB!
I HOPE THEY HAVEN'T ALREADY STRUCK!
ON THEY PRESS WITH THEIR DANGER-PACKED SEARCH, TILL FINALLY...
LOOK--THE WIND HAS SMASHED IN THE BACK OF THAT BUILDING!
NO--THE WIND'S COMING FROM THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION--AND THAT'S THE GOTHAM BRANCH BANK! I THINK WE'VE FOUND OUR MEN... COME ON!
SURE ENOUGH, INSIDE...
OUR STOLEN TANK SMASHED OPEN THE BANK AND VAULT REAL EASY--AND WE CAN RIDE OFF WITH THE LOOT WHILE THE STORM'S STILL GOING!
SURE--EVERYONE WILL THINK WE'RE DISASTER-FIGHTERS, AND... LOOK OUT! BATMAN!
INSTANTLY, THE MOBSTERS ATTACK...
DUCK BEHIND THAT OFFICE-PARTITION, ROBIN... THEY'VE GOT TOO MANY GUNS FOR US TO FACE HEAD-ON!
BANG
BANG
THEY'RE IN BACK OF THAT PARTITION... SHOOT IF THEY COME OUT!
PSST... ROBIN... MAKE NOISES TO SHOW WE'RE STILL HERE, WHILE I TRY TO REACH THE FRONT DOOR!
AND AS ROBIN CARRIES OUT HIS INSTRUCTIONS...
THEY'RE WAITING FOR A CHANCE AT US! WE'D BETTER GET INTO THE TANK AND PULL OUT OF HERE!
YEAH... YOU CAN NEVER TELL WHAT THOSE TWO GOT UP THEIR SLEEVES!


YOU NEVER KNOW, INDEED-- FOR AT THAT MOMENT...
THERE HE IS, OPENING THE FRONT DOOR! GET HIM!
BUT INSTANTLY, THROUGH THE WIDE FRONT DOOR RUSHES THE FULL POWER OF THE SCREAMING HURRICANE...
NOW, ROBIN!
HE LET THE WIND IN ON US! LOOK OUT!
CAN'T KEEP MY BALANCE... OOF!
YOU PLANNED TO MAKE THIS HURRICANE YOUR ACCOMPLICE, HARNER, BUT IT'S TURNED OUT TO BE YOUR NEMESIS!
THUS, AWHILE LATER, BACK AT HEADQUARTERS...
I'M DELIVERING SOME CAPTURED THIEVES, COMMISSIONER--AND THIS STOLEN TANK!
NICE WORK, BATMAN! THE STORM'S FORCE SEEMS TO BE DECREASING, TOO!
WITHIN AN HOUR, AS THE LAST OF THE HURRICANE BLOWS OUT TO SEA...
DAMAGE WAS SMALL--THANKS TO EVERYONE'S COOPERATION!
YES... IF PEOPLE OBEY SAFETY RULES, A CITY CAN WITHSTAND ANY DISASTER! AND NOW, WE'RE GOING HOME TO GET SOME REST!
RETURNING TO THEIR SECRET BAT-CAVE BENEATH THE WAYNE MANSION, BATMAN AND ROBIN FIND THEIR LOYAL BUTLER AWAITING THEM...
I'M GLAD YOU'RE HOME, SIR! THERE'S BEEN A TERRIBLE WIND-STORM THAT SHOOK THE WHOLE HOUSE! YOU'VE NO IDEA HOW GHASTLY IT WAS!
ER, ...YES... ALFRED-- BUT YOU CAN TELL US ABOUT IT AFTER WE'VE HAD SOME SLEEP!
END

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OFFICER, CAN YOU SPARE ME SOME MONEY FOR A CUP OF COFFEE?
WHY, CERTAINLY!
HERE'S A DIME!
A DIME? CAN YOU MAKE IT TWENTY CENTS?
BUT COFFEE IS ONLY A DIME! WHY DO YOU WANT TWENTY CENTS?
I'M A BIG TIPPER!
END.

The Toughest Police On The Force

They Are the Men of the Emergency Squad, Whose Intensive Training Prepares Them for the Daily Dangers Ahead

THE steelworker, perched 20 stories up on the skeleton of the skyscraper, made one misstep. He reached desperately as he fell, but the girder was far out of reach, and down he went.

Then, suddenly, two stories below, his dizzy descent stopped. The abrupt halt to his fall blacked him out; and when he came to, he saw that his belt had somehow caught on to the edge of a loose plank.

The steelworker groaned. There was no way for his fellow workers to reach him where he dangled high above the hard cement street of the city. And to blot out the heart-chilling vista below, he shut his eyes.

Meanwhile, on the ground, the foreman and his assistants, grimly aware of the steelworker's almost hopeless predicament, desperately tried to hit upon a means of reaching him without causing the loose plank to topple down with its human burden.

"If we could only prop up that plank somehow so one of us could walk out on it and pull him up," said one of them.

The foreman scoffed. "For Pete's sake, let's stop considering *impossible* ways, and try to figure out some practical way of reaching him!" he shouted.

But while the men rejected one idea after another, high above, the steelworker's body was swaying slightly in the breeze.

At length, the foreman said, "He'll stay up there for the rest of his life if he waits for *us* to rescue him!"

A wail of a police siren was heard just then, and the men turned to see an emergency police truck squeal to a fast stop. About five men hopped out, each one craning his neck to see the man against the blazing sun.

"It's a tough one," said one of the emergency men.

"You're telling us!" answered the foreman. "There's no way we can figure out how to get him down!"

"We're glad you didn't try," said one of the policemen. Saying this, he grabbed a long length of rope, slung it over his shoulder, and quickly ascended the steel skeleton of the building. The men below watched in silence as he climbed up. At length, he stood on a steel girder about 10 feet below the swaying feet of the trapped man. He cupped his hands before his mouth and called up.

"I'm going to try to bring you down! he shouted. "Keep your eyes shut, and don't try to help me."

The steelworker kept his eyes shut and nodded his head. From where he stood, the policeman could see large beads of sweat on the hapless man's forehead.

The rescue cop then unfurled the length of rope, swiftly converted it into a lasso and hurled it through the air, wrapping it around the girder.

Then he began to inch his way up the rope until he was almost on a level with the steelworker. Then, he began swinging himself through the air.

Once, twice, three times he passed by the steelworker. But on the fourth swing he made a sudden grab, and next

moment he was clutching in his arms the freed steelworker, whose eyes were now wide open.

"Hold on tight, pal—we're going down!" said the cop, smiling confidently.

A minute later, both men were standing on the steel girder below, and after the steelworker gained control of his jagged nerves, was able to make his way down to the ground unassisted.

The steelworker started to thank the cop who'd saved him, but the latter only clapped him on the back, and murmured, "Forget it—it's just part of my job."

In one short line, the policeman had expressed the philosophy and daily routine job of those courageous men who comprise the police department emergency squads.

The average person may think that the only policemen who face daily dangers are the uniformed men who pound the beats of rough, tough districts, or the plainclothesmen of homicide. The fact is, the intrepid men of the Emergency Squad face dangers every bit as perilous.

And their training is perhaps even more intensive, for they must be prepared to face every possible emergency situation that can possibly arise.

When city workers repairing the underground sewage system in a large city, recently, found themselves trapped by a terrific explosion, it was the police emergency squad that went into action. Wearing special fireproof suits and gas masks, the rescue cops battled their way through a blazing inferno to the trapped men.

First administering medical aid to the injured, the cops then wrapped the men in heavy blankets, and brought them all out to the surface.

Except in the very large metropolitan police departments which maintain bomb squads, this dangerous work in most police departments is handled by the emergency squad. And all firemen are thankful for the aid they get from the rescue men of the emergency squad at every conflagration.

The lights in the emergency squad offices burn day and night, and its men operate around three shifts. A man falls into an exposed well, a kitten mews pitifully on its perch on a high branch, an auto skids through the guard rail on a bridge and teeters precariously over the edge—in all these and a hundred other emergencies, you'll find the brave, efficient and skilled men of the Emergency Squad right on the job.

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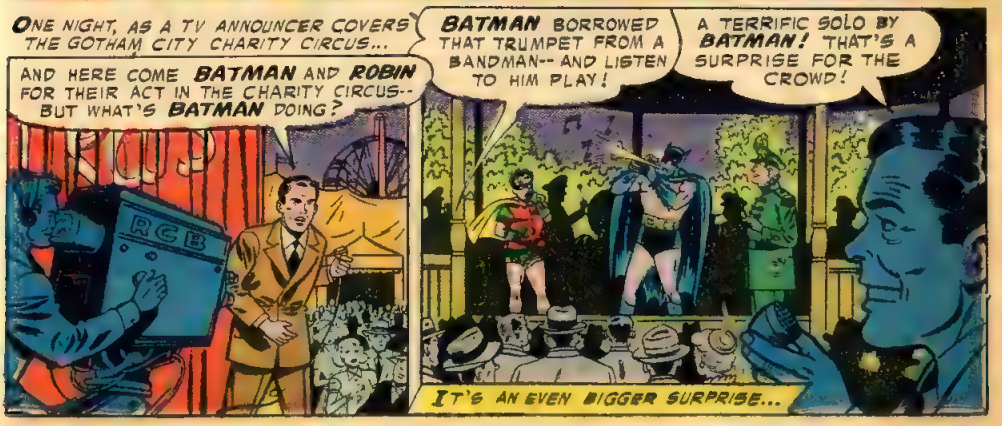
BATMAN
WITH ROBIN THE BOY WONDER
BATMAN'S CHANGED AGAIN! NOW HE THINKS HE'S AN ANIMAL-TAMER! WHAT'S COME OVER HIM?
IN THE STRANGEST STRUGGLE OF HIS CAREER, BATMAN FIGHTS TO RETAIN CONTROL OF-- HIMSELF! FOR OUT OF THE UNKNOWN STRIKES A FORCE BY WHICH OTHER MEN CAN MAKE THE GREAT MANHUNTER DO WHAT THEY WISH! AND THE INTREPID LAWMAN WHO HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE MASTER OF HIS OWN WILL BECOMES...
THE PUPPET BATMAN
BOB KANE


ONE NIGHT, AS A TV ANNOUNCER COVERS THE GOTHAM CITY CHARITY CIRCUS...
AND HERE COME BATMAN AND ROBIN FOR THEIR ACT IN THE CHARITY CIRCUS-- BUT WHAT'S BATMAN DOING?
RCB
BATMAN BORROWED THAT TRUMPET FROM A BANDMAN-- AND LISTEN TO HIM PLAY!
A TERRIFIC SOLO BY BATMAN! THAT'S A SURPRISE FOR THE CROWD!
IT'S AN EVEN BIGGER SURPRISE...

...FOR ROBIN AND FOR BATMAN HIMSELF! FOR, WHEN THE LAYMAN STEPS DOWN...
BATMAN, I NEVER KNEW YOU COULD PLAY THE TRUMPET!
I CAN'T! I NEVER PLAYED A NOTE IN MY LIFE! BUT SOMETHING MADE ME GET UP THERE AND PLAY--
AND EVEN STRANGER, WHEN I FINISHED PLAYING I FELT A SUDDEN IMPULSE TO TELL EVERYBODY WHO I AM-- MY SECRET IDENTITY!
IT MUST BE JUST THE EXCITEMENT OF THE CIRCUS THAT MADE YOU FEEL THAT WAY! THOUGH IT IS STRANGE--
THEN, ONLY A FEW MINUTES LATER, BATMAN AGAIN ACTS STRANGELY OUT OF CHARACTER...
FOLKS, NOW YOU'LL SEE THE GREATEST TRICK DIVER IN THE WORLD DIVE FROM THAT HIGH PLATFORM INTO TWO FEET OF WATER.
IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'D LIKE TO DO THE DIVE FOR HIM!
SPLASHO THE GREAT
BATMAN, HIGH-DIVING INTO SHALLOW WATER IS AN ART YOU HAVE TO PRACTICE FOR YEARS! YOU NEVER DID IT, YOU'LL BE HURT--
HE ISN'T EVEN LISTENING TO ME--
THEN, AS THOUSANDS WATCH IN AWE, THE BATMAN PLUMMETS DOWN INTO THE TINY TANK...
HE DID--
HE MADE A PERFECT SHALLOW-WATER DIVE!
BUT HOW COULD HE? HE'S NEVER DONE IT BEFORE.
NEXT INSTANT, AS THE CROWD APPLAUDS...
I WANT TO TELL YOU ALL SOMETHING! I WANT TO TELL YOU WHO I--I--
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO BATMAN? HE SEEMS UNABLE TO CONTROL HIMSELF!
LATER...
I SUDDENLY WANTED TO MAKE THAT DIVE, AND KNEW HOW TO DO IT-- THEN ONCE AGAIN I WANTED TO TELL EVERYONE I'M BRUCE WAYNE! ROBIN, IT'S AS THOUGH SOMEONE'S CONTROLLING MY MIND!
BATMAN-- MAYBE THAT'S IT. I JUST REMEMBERED.
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REMEMBER WE READ OF A SCIENTIST WHO INVENTED A MIND RAY-- HE CLAIMED THAT WITH IT, YOU COULD CONTROL ANOTHER PERSON'S ACTIONS!
I REMEMBER-- BUT THAT SCIENTIST DIED AND NO MORE WAS HEARD OF IT! I WONDER IF ANYONE GOT HOLD OF THAT INVENTION!
BATMAN'S FEARS ARE ONLY TOO TRUE! FOR AT THAT MOMENT, IN A SECRET HIDEOUT...
WHO'S GOING TO TRY NEXT FOR THE BIG PRIZE IN THIS BATMAN CONTEST?
I STILL DON'T GET IT, GRANEY--YOU SAY THAT GADGET CAN PROJECT A MIND RAY?
G... GRANEY, UNDERWORLD RACKET LEADER, EXPLAINS HOW THE STOLEN INVENTION WORKS...
WHEN YOU WEAR ITS HEADSET, IT PROJECTS YOUR THOUGHTS, LIKE A RADIO BEAM, TO ANY PERSON. IF YOU'RE STRONG-WILLED ENOUGH, YOU CAN CONTROL THAT PERSON!
AND YOU'RE TRYIN' TO FIND SOMEONE WHO CAN CONTROL BATMAN?
YEAH--AND WHOEVER CAN CONTROL BATMAN AND MAKE HIM REVEAL HIS IDENTITY, GETS THE 100 GRAND IN LOOT I'VE GOT HIDDEN AWAY!
WHAT A PRIZE--BUT IT'LL BE WORTH IT TO YOU, TO EXPOSE BATMAN! LET ME TRY IT!
REMEMBER, WE WANT EVERYBODY WATCHING BATMAN WHEN HE REVEALS HIS IDENTITY! SO FIRST MAKE HIM DO SOMETHING NEW AND STARTLING TO DRAW ATTENTION, LIKE THE EX-TRUMPETER AND THE EX-DIVER DID!
YOU KNOW WHAT MY PROFESSION WAS-- I'LL HAVE ALL EYES ON HIM WHEN I MAKE HIM REVEAL HIMSELF!
BUT WHEN THE DYNAMIC DUO ALIGHT, TO CRASHING APPLAUSE...
MEANWHILE, AS BATMAN AND ROBIN PERFORM A GREAT ACROBATIC FEAT AS THEIR CONTRIBUTION FOR THE CHARITY CIRCUS...
I HOPE WE CAN FINISH OUR ACT BEFORE THAT STRANGE FORCE SEIZES BATMAN AGAIN!
WE'LL GET OUT OF HERE FAST NOW, BATMAN-- BUT WHERE'S HE GOING? NO, BATMAN!
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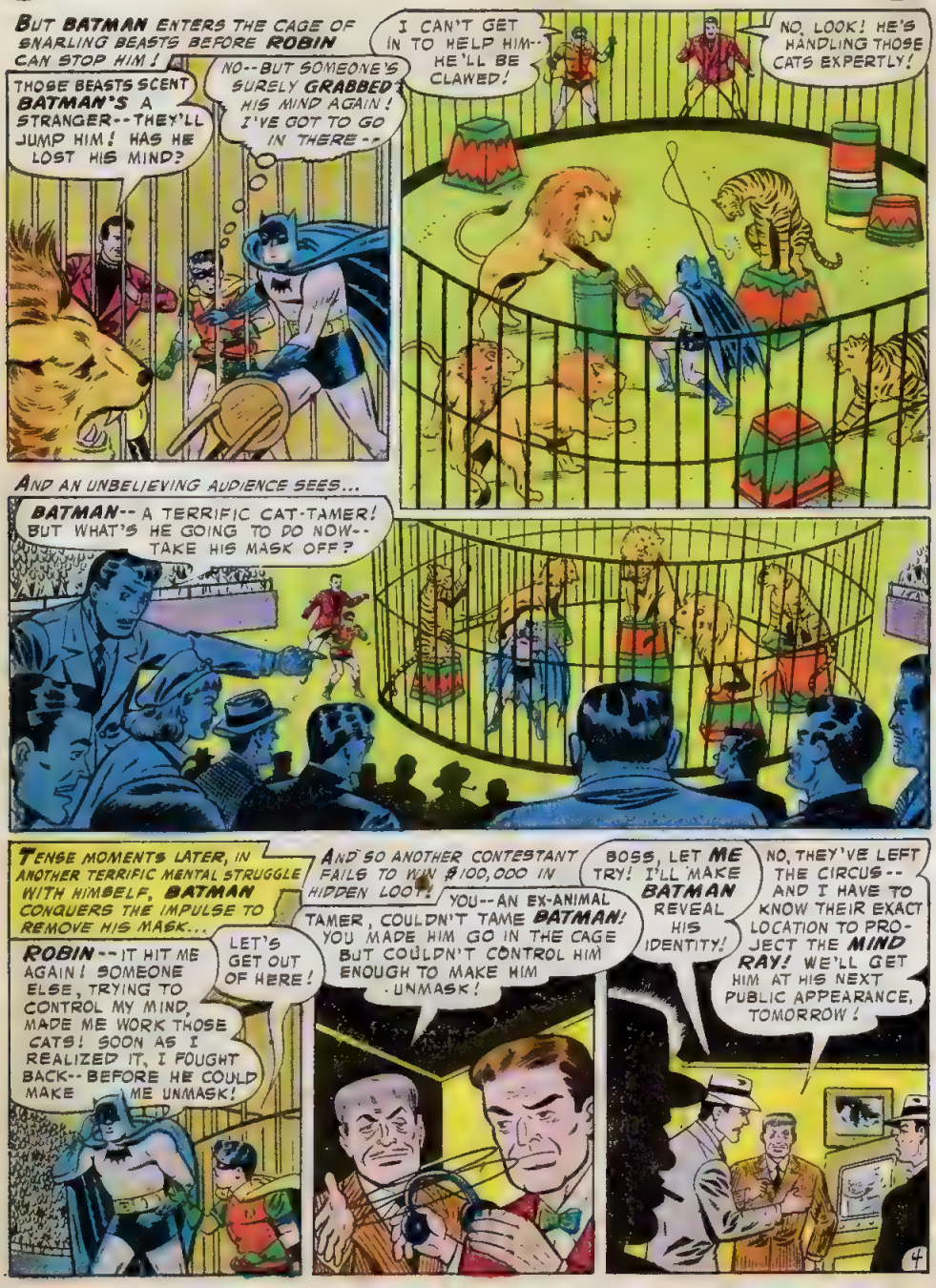
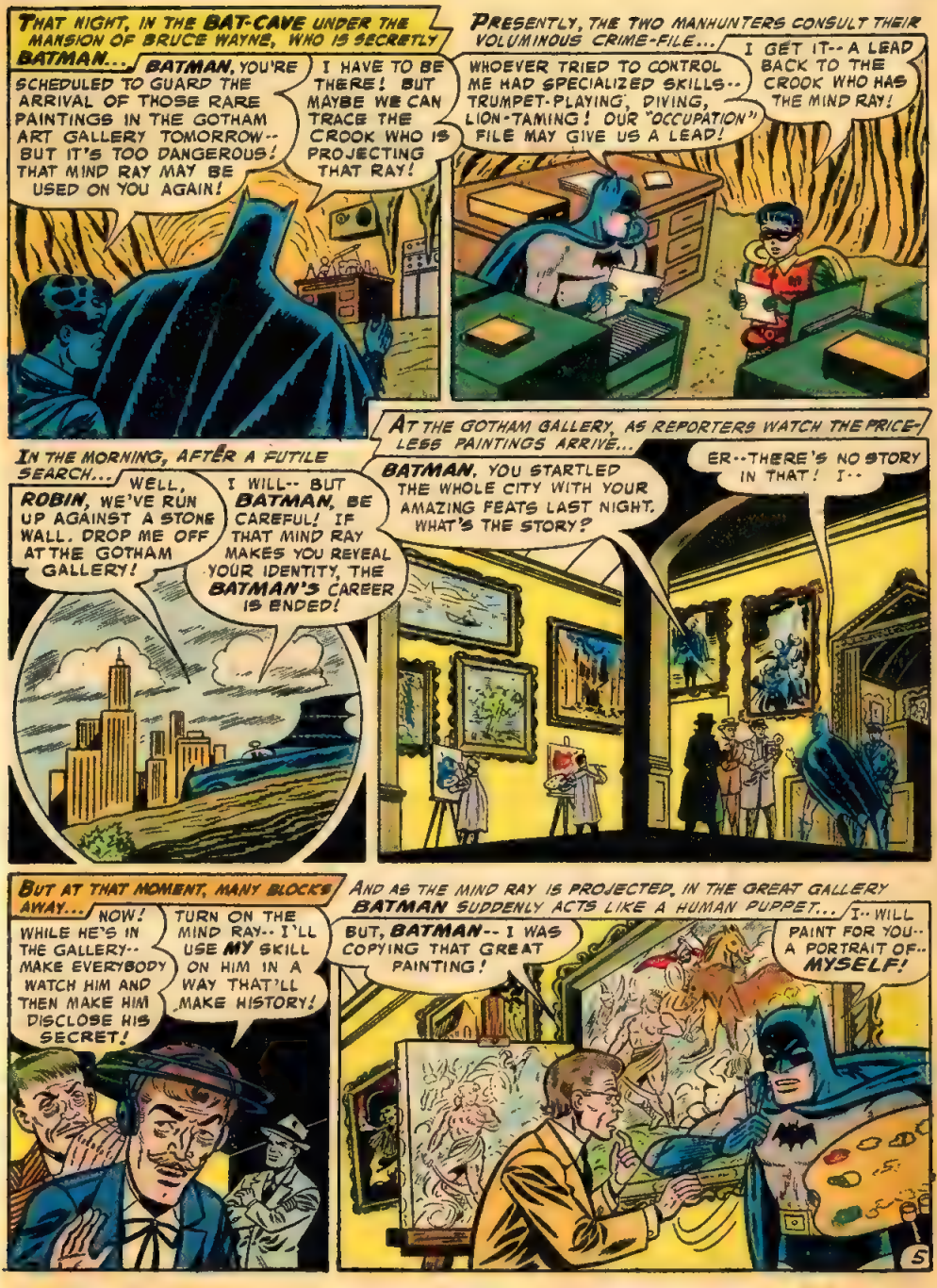

BUT BATMAN ENTERS THE CAGE OF SNARLING BEASTS BEFORE ROBIN CAN STOP HIM!
THOSE BEASTS SCENT BATMAN'S A STRANGER--THEY'LL JUMP HIM! HAS HE LOST HIS MIND?
NO--BUT SOMEONE'S SURELY GRABBED HIS MIND AGAIN! I'VE GOT TO GO IN THERE--
I CAN'T GET IN TO HELP HIM--HE'LL BE CLAWED!
NO, LOOK! HE'S HANDLING THOSE CATS EXPERTLY!
AND AN UNBELIEVING AUDIENCE SEES...
BATMAN--A TERRIFIC CAT-TAMER! BUT WHAT'S HE GOING TO DO NOW--TAKE HIS MASK OFF?
TENSE MOMENTS LATER, IN ANOTHER TERRIFIC MENTAL STRUGGLE WITH HIMSELF, BATMAN CONQUERS THE IMPULSE TO REMOVE HIS MASK...
ROBIN--IT HIT ME AGAIN! SOMEONE ELSE, TRYING TO CONTROL MY MIND, MADE ME WORK THOSE CATS! SOON AS I REALIZED IT, I FOUGHT BACK--BEFORE HE COULD MAKE ME UNMASK!
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
AND SO ANOTHER CONTESTANT FAILS TO WIN $100,000 IN HIDDEN LOOT!
YOU--AN EX-ANIMAL TAMER, COULDN'T TAME BATMAN! YOU MADE HIM GO IN THE CAGE BUT COULDN'T CONTROL HIM ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM UNMASK!
BOSS, LET ME TRY! I'LL MAKE BATMAN REVEAL HIS IDENTITY!
NO, THEY'VE LEFT THE CIRCUS--AND I HAVE TO KNOW THEIR EXACT LOCATION TO PROJECT THE MIND RAY! WE'LL GET HIM AT HIS NEXT PUBLIC APPEARANCE, TOMORROW!


THAT NIGHT, IN THE BAT-CAVE UNDER THE MANSION OF BRUCE WAYNE, WHO IS SECRETLY BATMAN...
BATMAN, YOU'RE SCHEDULED TO GUARD THE ARRIVAL OF THOSE RARE PAINTINGS IN THE GOTHAM ART GALLERY TOMORROW-- BUT IT'S TOO DANGEROUS! THAT MIND RAY MAY BE USED ON YOU AGAIN!
I HAVE TO BE THERE! BUT MAYBE WE CAN TRACE THE CROOK WHO IS PROJECTING THAT RAY!
PRESENTLY, THE TWO MANHUNTERS CONSULT THEIR VOLUMINOUS CRIME-FILE...
WHOEVER TRIED TO CONTROL ME HAD SPECIALIZED SKILLS-- TRUMPET-PLAYING, DIVING, LION-TAMING! OUR "OCCUPATION" FILE MAY GIVE US A LEAD!
I GET IT-- A LEAD BACK TO THE CROOK WHO HAS THE MIND RAY!
IN THE MORNING, AFTER A FUTILE SEARCH...
WELL, ROBIN, WE'VE RUN UP AGAINST A STONE WALL. DROP ME OFF AT THE GOTHAM GALLERY!
I WILL-- BUT BATMAN, BE CAREFUL! IF THAT MIND RAY MAKES YOU REVEAL YOUR IDENTITY, THE BATMAN'S CAREER IS ENDED!
AT THE GOTHAM GALLERY, AS REPORTERS WATCH THE PRICELESS PAINTINGS ARRIVE...
BATMAN, YOU STARTLED THE WHOLE CITY WITH YOUR AMAZING FEATS LAST NIGHT. WHAT'S THE STORY?
ER--THERE'S NO STORY IN THAT! I--
BUT AT THAT MOMENT, MANY BLOCKS AWAY...
NOW! WHILE HE'S IN THE GALLERY-- MAKE EVERYBODY WATCH HIM AND THEN MAKE HIM DISCLOSE HIS SECRET!
TURN ON THE MIND RAY-- I'LL USE MY SKILL ON HIM IN A WAY THAT'LL MAKE HISTORY!
AND AS THE MIND RAY IS PROJECTED, IN THE GREAT GALLERY BATMAN SUDDENLY ACTS LIKE A HUMAN PUPPET...
BUT, BATMAN-- I WAS COPYING THAT GREAT PAINTING!
I-- WILL PAINT FOR YOU-- A PORTRAIT OF-- MYSELF!
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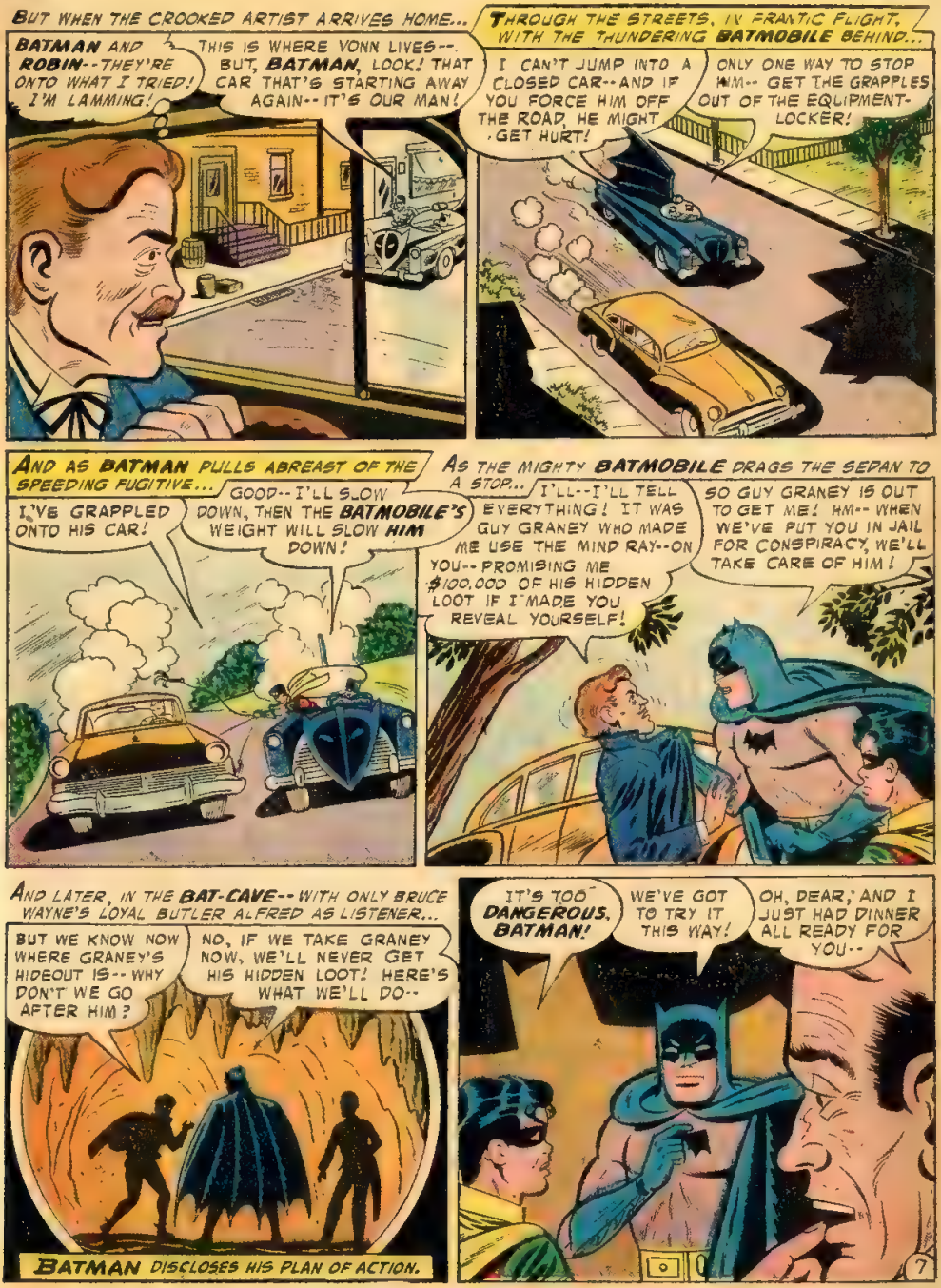
AS ALL WATCH BREATHLESSLY, BATMAN WIELDS THE ARTIST'S BRUSH WITH UNCANNY SKILL...
LOOK, BATMAN IS PAINTING HIS OWN PICTURE--BUT WITHOUT A MASK ON!
HE'S GOING TO PAINT HIS REAL FACE--DISCLOSE HIS SECRET IDENTITY!
AS ROBIN ENTERS THE GOTHAM GALLERY...
BATMAN'S PAINTING HIS OWN FACE! I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM QUICK--
DRAWING HIS BATARANG, THE BOY WONDER HURLS WITH UNERRING AIM...
WHY--WHAT WAS I DOING--? I DIDN'T REALIZE!
ROBIN STOPPED HIM JUST IN TIME--WE'LL NEVER LEARN WHO BATMAN IS!
MINUTES LATER, WHEN THE DISAPPOINTED REPORTERS HAVE GONE...
IT HAPPENED AGAIN--ANOTHER MIND GRIPPED MINE AND COMPELLED ME TO PAINT MY OWN FACE! THE MIND RAY, AGAIN--
IT MUST BE A SKILLED ARTIST WHO CONTROLLED YOU THIS TIME--BUT HE'D BE AS HARD TO TRACK DOWN AS THE OTHERS!
NO, ROBIN--AN ARTIST'S BRUSH-TECHNIQUE IS ALWAYS DISTINCTIVE--THE GALLERY DIRECTOR MAY BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THE STYLE!
I HOPE SO--ALL OUR OTHER LEADS WERE NO GOOD!
PRESENTLY, THE GALLERY'S ART EXPERT MAKES QUICK IDENTIFICATION...
THIS IS THE UNMISTAKABLE TECHNIQUE OF VICTOR VONN--AN ARTIST WHO SERVED A SENTENCE FOR FORGING FAMOUS MASTERPIECES!
THANKS--WE'LL RUN VONN DOWN AT ONCE!
MEANWHILE, IN CRANEY'S HIDEOUT...
SURE, YOU ALMOST MADE BATMAN PAINT HIS REAL FACE--BUT NOT QUITE! YOU FAILED--THE CONTEST FOR THE $100,000 PRIZE IS STILL OPEN!
AW, KEEP IT--I'M GOING HOME!


BUT WHEN THE CROOKED ARTIST ARRIVES HOME...
BATMAN AND ROBIN--THEY'RE ONTO WHAT I TRIED! I'M LAMMING!
THIS IS WHERE VONN LIVES--. BUT, BATMAN, LOOK! THAT CAR THAT'S STARTING AWAY AGAIN--IT'S OUR MAN!
THROUGH THE STREETS, IN FRANTIC FLIGHT, WITH THE THUNDERING BATMOBILE BEHIND...
I CAN'T JUMP INTO A CLOSED CAR--AND IF YOU FORCE HIM OFF THE ROAD, HE MIGHT GET HURT!
ONLY ONE WAY TO STOP HIM--GET THE GRAPPLES OUT OF THE EQUIPMENT-LOCKER!
AND AS BATMAN PULLS ABREAST OF THE SPEEDING FUGITIVE...
I'VE GRAPPLED ONTO HIS CAR!
GOOD--I'LL SLOW DOWN, THEN THE BATMOBILE'S WEIGHT WILL SLOW HIM DOWN!
AS THE MIGHTY BATMOBILE DRAGS THE SEDAN TO A STOP...
I'LL--I'LL TELL EVERYTHING! IT WAS GUY GRANEY WHO MADE ME USE THE MIND RAY--ON YOU--PROMISING ME $100,000 OF HIS HIDDEN LOOT IF I MADE YOU REVEAL YOURSELF!
SO GUY GRANEY IS OUT TO GET ME! HM--WHEN WE'VE PUT YOU IN JAIL FOR CONSPIRACY, WE'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM!
AND LATER, IN THE BAT-CAVE--WITH ONLY BRUCE WAYNE'S LOYAL BUTLER ALFRED AS LISTENER...
BUT WE KNOW NOW WHERE GRANEY'S HIDEOUT IS--WHY DON'T WE GO AFTER HIM?
NO, IF WE TAKE GRANEY NOW, WE'LL NEVER GET HIS HIDDEN LOOT! HERE'S WHAT WE'LL DO--
BATMAN DISCLOSES HIS PLAN OF ACTION.
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS, BATMAN!
WE'VE GOT TO TRY IT THIS WAY!
OH, DEAR, AND I JUST HAD DINNER ALL READY FOR YOU--

LATER, AS A NEW CONTESTANT ENTERS GRANEY'S CONTEST...
SURE, WE KNOW BATMAN'S PATROLLING DOWNTOWN-- BUT WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU CAN CONTROL HIM?
BECAUSE I'VE A STRONGER WILL THAN ANY OF YOUR OTHER BOYS. LET ME USE THE MIND RAY AND I'LL MAKE BATMAN UNMASK ON TELEVISION!
LATER, A TELEVISION NEWS BROADCASTER IS AMAZED WHEN...
I--WANT TO MAKE-- A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ON TELEVISION--
WHY, SURE, BATMAN-- YOU CAN GO ON RIGHT NOW!
WONDER WHAT HE HAS TO SAY? HE LOOKS SO STRANGE--
THEN, THE MOST SENSATIONAL BROADCAST EVER...
PEOPLE OF GOTHAM CITY, I WANT YOU TO SEE MY FACE!
HE--HE UNMASKED, IN FRONT OF EVERYONE!
THEN, THE MOST SENSATIONAL BROADCAST EVER...
WE DON'T KNOW WHY BATMAN UNMASKED, BUT YOU ALL SAW IT-- BATMAN'S REAL FACE!
I DID IT! EVERY-ONE SAW BATMAN'S FACE--MANY PEOPLE WHO KNOW HIM WILL RECOGNIZE HIM, BATMAN'S THROUGH! I'VE WON THE PRIZE AND YOU'LL GET THAT LOOT OUT OF HIDING FOR ME!
A JUBILANT GUY GRANEY GLOATS OVER VICTORY...
WE COULD HAVE GOT YOU, GRANEY, BUT WE WANTED THIS HIDDEN MONEY, TOO-- AND NOW WE'LL TAKE OVER!
BATMAN! YOU CAN ARREST ME, BUT YOU'RE FINISHED-- WE ALL SAW YOUR FACE!
THIS FACE IS A DISGUISE, GRANEY! NO ONE HAS SEEN MY REAL FACE-- AND I'LL EXPLAIN TO THE TV AUDIENCE LATER WHY I DID IT!
AND THIS "CONTESTANT" WAS YOUR HELPER-- YOU ONLY PRETENDED TO BE CONTROLLED BY HIM! IT WAS ALL A TRICK!
LATER, IN THE BAT-CAVE...
ALFRED, AS A PRETENDED "CROOK", YOU SAVED THE DAY-- BUT I'M GLAD THE MIND RAY MACHINE WAS BROKEN BEYOND REPAIR!
WELL, THIS IS ONE SOUVENIR FOR OUR TROPHY CASE I'M GLAD IS BROKEN!
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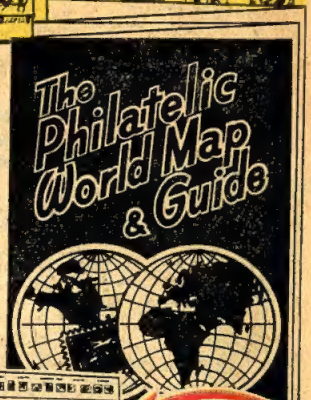

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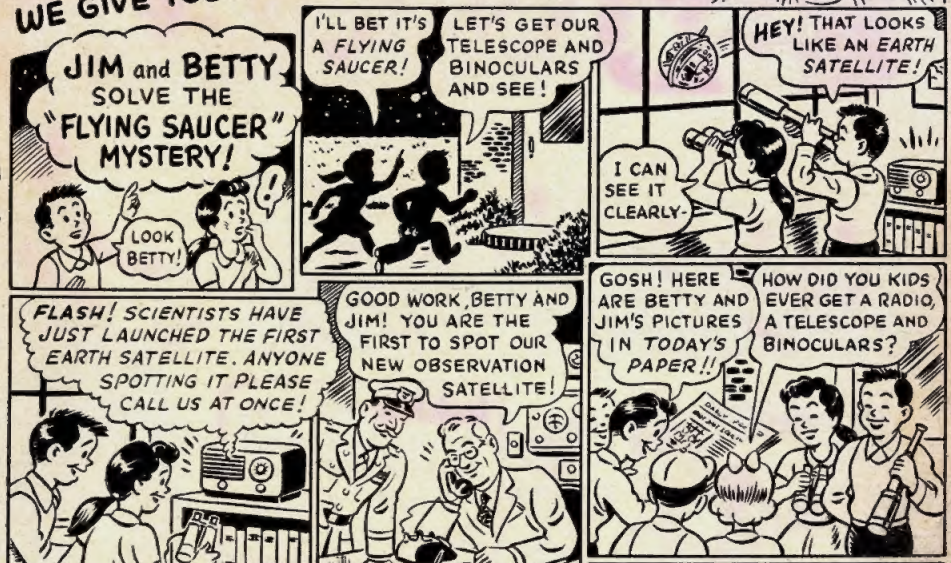
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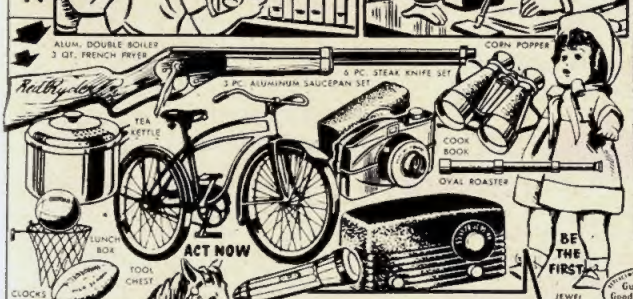

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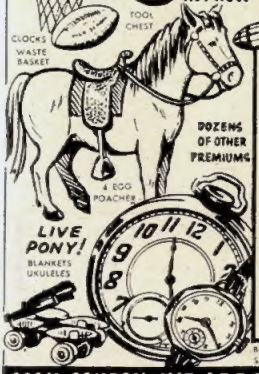

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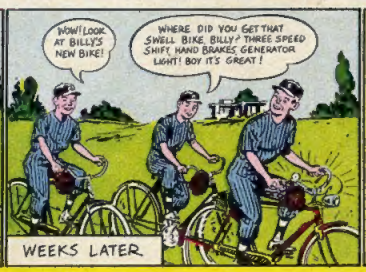
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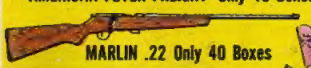

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